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RELIGION AND REFORM.

Over 600 preachers in Connecticut work for salaries that do not average more than $750 a year.

It was a Connecticut woman who refused to buy a copy of the Bible from an agent because it did not contain portraits of the presidents of the United States.

The Church of Messiah, Brooklyn, Dr. Charles R. Baker, rector, has maintained for several years a circulating library for the blind, probably the only one in the United States.

Hui Kin is the first Chinaman to be ordained as a Christian minister in the eastern part of the United States. He is a Presbyterian and has lived in New York since he came to this country, twenty years ago.

Rev. Benjamin Waugh has retired from the editorship of the London Sunday Magazine, his work in connection with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children leaving him no leisure for other labors.

Dr. Alexander Charles Garrett, bishop of northern Texas, has just been elected bishop of the newly created diocese of Dallas, Texas. Dr. Bishop has for years been one of the most aggressive missionary bishops in the Episcopal church.

A priest of the Greek church in Thessaly died lately at the age of 102. During the last years of his life his memory became so much impaired that he often forgot whether or not he had dined, and sometimes he dined twice or thrice in succession.

Rev. Dr. George W. Miller, now of St. Andrew's Methodist church, New York, has accepted a call to succeed Rev. Dr. Richard Harcourt of Grace church, Baltimore. Dr. Miller has had charge of the largest church of his denomination in Kansas City, was formerly pastor of Grace church, Wilmington, and began his ministry in Chambersburg.

Canon Duckworth tells an interesting story of absent-mindedness. It relates to a worthy clergyman of his acquaintance who, having been presented to an important living, preached his sermon from the words: "All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers." He was surprised and disgusted when the church wardens afterwards hinted to him that his choice of a text had been a little hasty on his predecessors.

Dr. J. M. Buckley, editor of the Christian Advocate and one of the best known men in the Methodist church, while in Indianapolis recently visited a Methodist church, whose pastor did not recognize him. The pastor rejected from his appearance that he asked him to preach to say that his name editor was introbutler, a stranger

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135 saloons.

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Middletown, Conn. in all its departtime since 1874.

allows prisoners dying to pay on their death beds

recruit must be across a ditch six feet he is not eligible for enlist

Large shipments of dried cane are yet, the sugar-cane for bark in tanning, are being sent from Arizona to Europe.

In Norse mythology all persons who die of old age are consigned to Hel (one "l"), a region of perpetual mist and fog.

New York proposes stopping house vagrants in the station houses on the ground that it improves health and encourages vagrancy.

Arizona will produce $10,000,000 of gold this year, as against $4,000,000 last year, according to the estimate of the governor of the territory.

An aerolite which recently fell in Australia had a spur on one side nearly twelve inches in diameter which was composed of pure copper.

Not more than one criminal in 1,000 sentenced for life, or ninety-nine years by the courts of the United States serves more than twenty years.

Nearly thirty years ago the Danish island of St. Thomas voted on the question of annexation to the United States and approved it by 1,244 to 22.

THINGS TO KNOW.

On the 4th of July the earth is farther away from the sun than at any other time.

The average ten plants will produce one pound of tea.

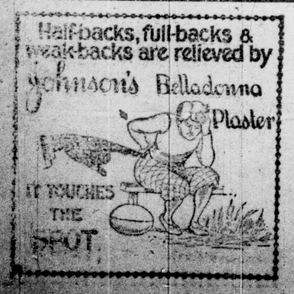
There are 13,000 different kinds of postage stamps in the world.

The most valuable clock in the world is one which was made by Louis XIV. and which is owned now by one of the Rothschilds, who bought it for $18,000.

William Gardenio was the first person on whom the title of doctor of medicine was bestowed. He received it from the college of Asto in Italy in 1329.

The perpendicularity of monuments is affected by the rays of the sun. The heat on one side causes the material to expand.

Among the Turks bath-money forms an important item in every marriage contract. If a husband refuses to give his wife sufficient money for bathing purposes she may go before the cadi, take off her slipper and turn it upside down. If the grievance is not redressed she has grounds for divorce.



ODD THINGS IN THE NEWS.

The merchants in Jewell City, Neb. close their stores an hour twice a week to attend afternoon prayer meetings.

The farmers in the Okaw river valley in Iowa are gathering their corn in skiffs. They are fearful that the catfish may eat it up.

Dr. John Knapp, of Mt. Vernon, New York, has a two-inch tapeworm that was found in a hen's egg. Such a thing was never before heard of.

A company has been formed in Allegan, Michigan, whose purpose is to manufacture burial cases just as good as those now sold for $40 to $100, the price to be $15 to $20.

A dangerous operation on the kidneys was performed on a young woman in a hypnotic state, in a Baltimore hospital a few days ago. She said she felt no pain whatever during the operation.

Richard Morrell, a policeman of Omaha, Nebraska, has been left $120,000 through the death of a sister who married a wealthy man in Australia and went there to claim his possessions.

The Christmas gift Santa Claus left at Bagwell's, Greenville, New Hampshire, was a pair of twins. Both mother and twins up twenty-seven children, but he takes inventory occasionally to see if they are all there.

Soap ahead is now made in the form of sheets, and sold travelers who object to the use of hotel soaps or those used in public offices. It is sold in leaves or sheets books, each sheet being about the size of an ordinary bank check.

One of the first white settlers in northern Michigan, E. F. Dame, of Northport, says that since 1841 the water in Traverse bay, at the northern end of Lake Michigan, has lowered sixty-three and a half inches by actual measurement.

Arthur Rook, a 6-year-old bicycle rider of Brighton, New Jersey, while riding across East Lake pond recently broke through the ice. The boy retained his seat in the saddle and the inflated tires of the machine kept him afloat until help arrived.

A woman came tearing into the police station at Topeka the other day to have her sixth husband arrested for drunkenness. "Put the judge down that a wife who had gotten away with five husbands ought to drive the sixth one to drink, and refused to hear the complaint.

FLINGS AT THE FAIR SEX.

"I gave him his choice between furs and Florida, and I think it's a pretty coat and collar don't you?"—New York World.

Someone told a girl in town recently that she had a good profile, and a photographer has made $7 on her since.—Atchison Globe.

An Ohio girl has been asleep since Nov. 28 and all efforts to awaken her are in vain. She talks in her sleep however.—North East (Pa.) Breeze.

Weary Watkins: "Wot the deuce you carryin' that club for nowadays?" Hungry Higgins: "It's leap year, ye nor; that's why."—Indianapolis Journal.

Merlie—I would never marry a man I did not love. Maudie—But suppose a real wealthy man should propose? Merlie—I should love him, of course.—Truth.

"Some married women are not hard to please," says the Manayunk Philosopher. "They don't care whether it's life insurance or alimony."—Philadelphia Record.

He—Were you alarmed, darling, when I kissed you so suddenly in the conservatory last night? Darling—a bit. I rather thought it was you.—Detroit Free Press.

The hostess—Oh, yes! Her poems were as poor as church pews; but after her marriage to wealthy John Gotham she has it easy. The visitor—Easy should say so! Why, she hasn't a single thing to do all day but sit and worry.—Puck.

"Why did you break off your engagement with Miss Bertha?" "Because her parrot was always saying 'Stop that, George.'" "But what difference did that make?" "Our engagement was not a secret." "But my name is not George."—Fliegende Blaetter.

First sweet thing (to a friend whom she has not seen for some time)—And so you are married, dear. I am so glad. Is your husband well off? Second sweet thing (looking complacently at her diamonds)—He was when I married him.—Ally Sloper's Half Holiday.

HOUSE AND HOME TALK.

To decorate a grate that is not required for use, place in it some pots containing ferns.

If you possess a cozy corner with a shelf at the top have a zinc trough made to fit it and fill this with some hardy foliage and flower plants. They will last a long time and add greatly to the beauty of the room.

In washing grained woodwork use clear water or weak cold tea. Where there are finger marks to be removed, such as around the door knob or on the window sill, a little fine soap may be used, but only just enough to do the work, for soap should not be used on this woodwork if it can be avoided.

In Swiss and German farmhouses bread-baking is done only once every three weeks, and such a thing as stale bread is unknown. The bread is put away in a peculiar manner, which tends to preserve its freshness. Sprinkle flour freely into an empty flour sack and into this pack the loaves, taking care to have the top crusts of two loaves touching. When they have to lie bottom to bottom sprinkle flour between them. Tie up the sack and hang it up in a dry, airy place, where it can swing. The day before the loaf is wanted take it out, brush off the flour, and stand it in the cellar over night. Treated in this manner bread remains good several weeks.

Mrs. Muggles—"Oh I just tell you the earth is full of wonders! My Poor, dear husband predicted his death." Caller—"He was rather morbid though' for years, was he not?" "Yes, indeed. He was always saying he was going to die soon, and I knew in my heart it would come true some time; and sure enough, it did."—New York Weekly.

There were 160 lynchings in the United States during the year 1895 to Nov. 18.

HINTS OF ALL SORTS.

A dish of water placed in a hot oven where pies, cakes, or puddings are being baked will prevent them from scorching.

Old leather can be made to look like new by applying a coat of French polish with a camel's hair brush.

The skin of fruit should never be eaten, not because they are not palatable or digestible or are unhealthful in themselves, but on account of the danger arising from microbes, which may have penetrated into the covering of the fruit.

People who are susceptible to the cold should make a point of wearing loose clothing in cold weather.

If you have butter that is not entirely sweet put it in a porcelain dish with a little salt and a tiny piece of soda place over the fire and bring to a boil Turn it into a stone jar and set it in a cool place. The butter will be found perfectly sweet and not too salt for cooking. The impurities will settle to the bottom of the jar.

A cement for mending broken glass or china is made by dissolving half an ounce of gum arabic in a wineglassful of boiling water and adding enough plaster of Paris to make a thick paste Apply it with a brush to the edges of the broken parts. Hold the pieces carefully together until the cement has hardened sufficiently for them to adhere. If the article to be mended is broken in several pieces, do not attempt to cement a second piece before the first has thoroughly hardened.

A tested cough mixture recipe comes from an English lady. It is palatable and very effectual. Boil three large lemons in water seven minutes, drain off the water and slice the lemons as thin as possible. Put them in an earthen bowl with one pound of the best brown sugar and stand the bowl on the stove until the mixture is at boiling point. Then draw to the back of the stove and let the mixture simmer three hours. Remove from the fire, and when it has stood half an hour add small tablespoonful of oil of sweet almonds. It is to be used warm. Stir and take in teaspoonful doses as long as needed.

To make a wax for polishing hardwood floors cut one pound of beeswax into small pieces, put them in a dish and place it over the fire in a pan of hot water. Allow the wax to melt and then stir in three pints of turpentine. When the ingredients have thoroughly blended, place some of the wax on a woolen cloth and rub it on the floor, treating one board at a time and rubbing lengthwise. Then cover a heavy brush with flannel and with it rub the floor until it is perfectly smooth. It is usually the case that some parts of the floor are subject to more wear than others. When the polish has worn off in these spots warm the wax and apply to the worn places and then polish.

STRAY CHIPS OF THOUGHT.

Not a few men are like the amoeba—they live on what sticks to them.

The face of every babe is an interrogation point. Its future depends on how older folk answer the question.

It is often difficult to distinguish between absolute laziness and serene resignation.

If an idler only occupied the space geometrically ascribed to a point he should not find in the universe a spot whereon to set his foot.

Meddlers are like mosquitoes; they torment but seldom hurt.

Hypocrites often use a scriptural quotation as a funnel through which to drop poison into some human heart.

The most insecure perch in the world is that occupied by the man who has reared a pretty castle out of bricks stolen from the longest built towers of others.

It is a terrible thing to see one work, ing who never smiles.

Many a would-be statesman was intended by the Creator for a splendid laborer.

Chimeras are the food of indolent theorists. They chase fantasies all their days and the recording angel marks the result with a cipher.

Certain young folk are puzzled to distinguish between an accelerated pulse and a love throb.

Marriage based on flirtation logically ends in separation, divorce or—tragedy.

One of the easiest things in this world is to get money. The task of life lies in earning it.

There is morally no difference between the thief who loots a bank and the man who charges a dollar for fifty cents' worth of goods.

No man's creed is complete which does not include a belief in himself.

He who minds his own business calls head and shoulders above 90 per cent of his fellows.

BLASTS FROM RAM'S HORN.

Long suffering always makes God's children gentle.

The Lord's side is never afraid of daylight.

Courage is something that a coward can only imitate.

To have Christ, is to have everything God's law requires of us.

Industry and prudence are the best safeguards against bad luck.

Love is the only thing that can lighten burdens by adding to them.

Some very religious people have a different religion on Sunday, from what they have the rest of the week.

The Christian is walking on dangerous ground, who is not praying every day of his life that he may be more like Christ.

In the very same moment that a man doubts God, he begins to believe the devil.

Eternity will explain all the perplexing things that have happened in this world.

"It would not do for either the republican or democratic side of the senate to evade responsibility by saying it had no majority. I pledge six people's party votes in this chamber to either party that will stop the further issue of bonds, and six votes will give that majority to either side. In fact, either party can have a majority in this body when it desires to pass any law in the interest of the American people."—Senator Butler.

The number of asteroids discovered to date is 404.

ATCHISON GLOBULES.

An occasional drubbing does a man good.

No man is smart enough to be funny when he is drunk.

What a hit Bob Ingersoll could make as an evangelist.

Every poor singer in this country once led a church choir.

An ugly woman can get uglier than any other being on earth.

After all, an aching heart does no hurt like an aching tooth.

It is all right for a woman to keep a cow who also keeps her husband.

If you want to be a man, your first resolve should be to pay your debts.

Form good habits, and you will find them as hard to break as bad habits.

A woman marries a man not because she loves him, but because she is poor.

Every married man realizes that he talked too much during his engagement.

Getting married is something like borrowing $5,000 at ten per cent. interest.

When we hear that a man is sick, we always hope that he has a good natured wife.

The school teachers hate the children and the children hate the school teachers.

Newly married people do not go into society much until they are tired of each other.

Listen to any man talk five minutes and you will learn that he is being imposed upon.

It isn't a man's good qualities that get him into swell society; it is the scarcity of men.

If a man tells you a story he thinks is funny, and you do not laugh at it, he will hate you.

When a woman gives a party, she also gives the neighbors an opportunity to talk about her.—Atchison Globe.

WOMAN AND THE OLD LAWS

In England less than ninety years ago it was not unusual for a man to sell his wife into servitude.

A common-law husband and wife were one person and that one person was the husband.

Upon marriage the husband became entitled to all his wife's goods and chattels also to the rents and profits of her lands.

He was bound to supply her with food, clothes and medicine. He was entitled to her earnings and the custody of her person.

He had power to choose her associates, separate her from her relatives restrain her religious and personal freedom and, if necessary, chastise her moderately as though she were his child.

The father of legitimate children was bound for their maintenance and education and was entitled to their labor and custody.

He had power to dispose of them until they were 21 years of age by deed or legacy and the testamentary guardian's right to the children's custody superseded that of their mother. The mother was entitled to no power but to reverence and respect from her children.

She had no legal authority over them nor right to their service. Only the mother of an illegitimate child was entitled to its control and custody.

Intestate personal property was divided equally between males and females, but a son, though younger than all his sisters, was heir to the whole of real property.

LABOR NOTES.

The Trade and Labor Assembly of St Paul has indorsed the work of the Direct Legislation League of Minnesota.

The charter as a member of the American Federation of Labor applied for by the Bricklayers' and Stonemasons' Union of Chicago has been issued by the federation.

Labor organizations throughout Missouri are adopting resolutions pledging their members not to vote for any member of the legislature who will not agree to vote to abolish convict labor.

The Iron Molders' Journal, the official organ of the Iron Moulders' International Union, has been enlarged to forty-eight pages. It is printed in Cincinnati under the editorship of David Black.

Cincinnati cigarmakers are gleeful over the outlook for a busy season in their trade. The indications are that the factories will all be running full force, with plenty of work for all union cigar makers in the city.

The Railroad Telegrapher says when an employer of labor objects to submitting differences between himself and employes to a board of arbitration it must be because the employes have the best of it. Labor seldom refuses to reach a settlement through arbitration

HINTS AND HELPS.

The religion that costs nothing does nothing.

If the heart is wrong, how can the life be right?

The religion that costs nothing is worth nothing.

The devil leads the man who is not living for some good object.

No man is any stronger than that in which he trusts for strength.

Who knows but that God uses our needs to show angels the meaning of His grace.

It is not necessary to have a dagger in the hand to show that there is murder in the heart.

The moment we are willing to bear a burden for Christ's sake the weight is all taken out of it.

Whenever God is loved, the man who loves him is blessed, no matter whether he feels that way or not.

The more zealous we are of good works, the more we are in danger of wrongly judging other people.

Where She Drew the Line.—"Dis here politics is gwine ter make trouble," he said thoughtful. "Is yer dis'p'inted ag'in'?" asked his wife. "I is, Ebry time I starts in ter run dey tells me I's er dahk hoss." "Let em go on. Let em go on," she rejoined with suppressed indignation; "ye kinstan' bein' called a dahk hoss. But ef dey said yaller dawg' or 'brindle mule' I sut'ny would hev smote 'em!"—Washington Star.

Few of us need a lantern in order to find fault.—Uncle Dick.

THE WORLD'S RIVERS.

The Tigris is 1,150 miles long.

The world-famous Orontes is only 20 miles long.

The Zambezi, in South Africa, is 1,800 miles in length.

Slow rivers flow at the rate of three to seven miles an hour.

Twelve creeks in the United States bear the name of the Rhine.

Every ancient city of note was located on or near the sea or a river.

The Ganges is 1,570 miles long and drains an area of 759,000 square miles.

The Hudson River, from its mouth to the lakes, is 400 miles in length.

The Mississippi and its tributaries drain an area of 2,000,000 square miles.

The branches of the Mississippi have an aggregate length of 15,000 miles.

For over 1,200 miles the Nile does not receive a single tributary stream.

The River Jordan has its origin in one of the largest springs in the world.

In islands of too small size to have rivers creeks are dignified by that name.

The Connecticut, the principal stream of New England, is 450 miles in length.

During a single flood of the Yang-tse-Kiang, in China, 600,000 persons were drowned.

The most extensive protective river works in Europe are at the mouth of the Danube.

The Rhine is only 960 miles long but drains a territory nearly double the area of Texas.

The Irtish, in Siberia is 2,200 miles in length and drains 650,000 miles of territory.

The Nile, from its delta to the great lakes of Central Africa, is over 4,000 miles in length.

The Thames of England is 220 miles long. The river of the same name in Canada is 160.

There are twenty creeks in this country which have been dignified with the name of the Tiber.

The Columbia River of Canada is 1,400 miles in length; the stream of the same name in Oregon is 600.

The Arkansas River is 2,170 miles long, but at various points in its course is very thin for its length.

The Potomac River is only 500 miles long and in its lower course is rather an estuary than a stream.

The British islands do better provided with rivers than any other country of the same size on the globe.

The Mississippi at the point where it flows out of Lake Itasca is ten feet wide and eighteen inches deep.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

IN THE KITCHEN.

Scraps of meat are thrown away.

Lights are left burning when not in use.

Soap is left to dissolve and waste in water.

Vinegar and sauce are left standing in tin.

Cold potatoes are left over to sour and spoil.

The tea canister and coffee box are left open.

Tin dishes are not properly cleaned and dried.

Cheese is allowed to mold or be nibbled by mice.

Apples are left to decay for want of sorting over.

Good new brooms are used to scrub kitchen floors.

Dried fruits are not looked after and become wormy.

Woodenware is unscalded and left to warp and crack.

Sugar, tea, coffee and rice are carelessly spilled in handling.

Vinegar is left to stand until the tin vessel becomes corroded and spoiled.

Pickles become spoiled by the leaking out or evaporation of the vinegar.

Pork spoils for want of salt, and beef because the brine needs scalding.

Silver spoons are used in scraping kettles.

Mustard is left to spoil in the cruet.

More coal is burned than necessary by not closing dampers when the fire is not used.

Dish towels are used for dish cloths napkins for dish towels, and towels for holders.

These may seem small leaks, but in the aggregate the loss is considerable. —The Chef.

Bones of meat and the carcass of turkey are thrown away, when they could be used in making good soups.

In cooking meats the water is thrown away without removing the grease, or the grease from the dripping-pan is thrown away.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS.

Lord Tennyson is going to publish in his life of his father a juvenile tale called "Mungo the American."

Mrs. Humphrey Ward lives, when in the country, at Aldbury, a sleepy English village of 800 people.

Professor J. B. McMaster's new book, which includes a review of the Monroe doctrine, the third-term history, and other themes of special interest, is to have as its general title "With the Fathers."

According to the Saturday Review, the letters of Matthew Arnold are, while a little too formal, written in a better style than his essays.

G. H. Putnam said at the meeting of the Massachusetts Library Club the other day that only about 10 per cent of what is written for publication is used, the other 90 per cent representing a vast amount of lost effort.

It has been said by a friend of Thomas Hardy that Jude, the hero of his latest book, is, in some directions, a portrait of the author—not in the story of his career, of course, but in divers characteristics, and especially in some of his dislikes.

Robert Louis Stevenson's history of his own family will appear in the forthcoming edition of his works now being prepared in Edinburg.

Formerly nearly all the young men became lawyers or doctors. Now about half of them are becoming life insurance agents—Atchison Globe.

In a Chicago Library.—"Have you the works of Sir Walter Scotch?" "No. He is not of our modern school. But we have a complete set of Woodyard Kindling."—New York Herald.

A man will hump himself on a bicycle for miles in the summer time. But yet he can't shovel a snow path, as he says it hurts him to bend over.—Boston Post.

EXTRAVAGANT APPROPRIATIONS!

A Speech Made by Rutabaga Johnson at Illinois School House Dec. 25, 1896.

My fellow countrymen—We have met here to-day for the purpose of discussing a political robbery, committed by the aristocracy and negroes, aided by—THE DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATURE.

The "aristocracy" was the last people I ever thought would unite with the "negroes" to rob the laboring class by raising the state tax 10cts on the one hundred dollars, their school tax 7½cts on the one hundred dollars and lowering the common school fund to $3.50 per capita.

Now, it is well known that the "aristocracy" have never acted from principle, have always followed the rich—let a rich man tell one of them they need him at a convention, that he has great influence and offer him a free ticket and a bottle of whiskey and he finds a ready tool for his dirty work. Still he claims to be an aristocrat, holds his head above all mankind except the rich, and for this reason I am surprised that he should become a partner or fellow-worker with the negro.

If a white man kills a negro, and there is an aristocrat on the jury there is either an acquital or a hung jury. But the idea of giving their children an education in the state schools with the rich lyey lose all respect for laboring people both white and black.

We "granger democrats" first shaped the constitution so that only the interest of the school fund could be used, but the "aristocracy democrats" and "negroes" could not stand that as they changed it to rob us of one per cent each year of the principal and as they are extraordinary counters we will not have a dollar of the permnent school fund left in ten years from now if that pretended one per cent each year is not stopped.

Now, to show you that the raising of your state tax is robbery, I will go back to [illegible] when Hamilton was [illegible] with his friends in [illegible] of our people [illegible] over the state to [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

...S, BRUSHES, COMBS, PERFUMES, &c., IN FACT ALL KINDS OF TOILET ARTICLES AT ERWIN & FAN...

...DEMOCRAT.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1896.

F. C. Thompson, Editor & Propriet'r
Walter B. Wilson, Local Editor.

DEMOCRAT AND NEWS.

We have made arrangement to club with Dallas Semi-Weekly News which is the best newsgathering paper in the South-west and the fairest in the treatment of all political and religious sects. You can get the Twice-a-week News and THE DEMOCRAT for $1.75! Come in at once, for this will be a year of unusual interest, made so by the great political battle to be fought.

IT is evident that Senator Tillman is not a Cleveland man.

BARNEY Gibbs' political broad sides stir up the anger of such men as S. P. Evans, Byron Drew, and other political office seekers.

MEMBERS of all parties are beginning to assert that there is bound to be a new alignment of parties.

SHOW your patriotism by attending populists meeting this year which is a crisis in our history.

The central popullists club meets in McKinney saturday Mar 7. Dr. Fuller of Pike will be on hand.

WE have received several political communications which we are unable to use just now owing to want of space.

Brave Barlow Bailey.

The following is a clipping from a St. Louis Republic correspondent's description of J. W. Bailey, which was reproduced in the McKinney Gazette:

"A braver, more honest or more honorable man was never sent to the house of representatives. No temptation could lure him into forbidden paths; no danger drive him from the line of duty; no reward induce him to do a mean thing."

Brave? Yes, when he has a barlow knife in his hand. Honest? Yes. Who ever heard of him not paying his debts, or failing to keep a political promise? Could he resist a temptation? Why, of course, who ever heard of him engaging in a game of poker, or getting into a saloon brawl? His partisanism never caused him to turn off a work hand because he was a populist! For brains and morality he stands at the head of the American congress! Rats!!.

Convention Dates.

Populist national convention, ...Louis, July 22.

...publican national convention ...Louis, June 16.

...emocratic national convention ...ago, July 7.

Collin county populist ...minating convention meets in ...Kinney, Aug. 8.

Democratic state convention, (called by Chairman Dudley's committee) in Austin, June 23, to elect delegates to the national convention.

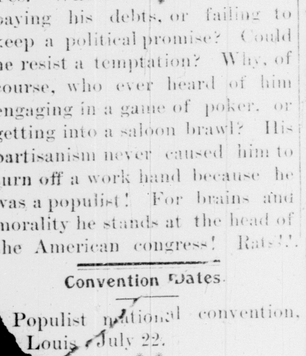
Democratic state nominating convention (called by Chairman Dudley's committee) meets in Fort Worth Aug. 18.

The sound money democratic committee under call of Chairman Hardy will meet at Galveston, Feb. 15.

Blood Made Pure

Eczema on Face, Neck and Hands

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cured All Impurity.



Mr. Augustus O. Graham
Talihina, Ind. Ter.

Our son Augustus was very severely troubled with eczema. Sores broke out on his face, neck and hands, and the slightest scratch on his hands would

Break Out in Bad Sores.

We persuaded him to take Hood's Sarsaparilla and it has been two or three months since he has been troubled. His hands are quite smooth. Our nephew, Edgar P. Shaver, who lives with us, was afflicted similarly only his case was more severe, accompanied by scrofulous bunches on his neck. He has taken four bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and is

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

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...Liver Pills, Billous-

A Melissa Failure.

H. G. Graves, dealer in merchandise and postmaster at Melissa, filed a deed of assignment in the county clerk's office Tuesday evening. L. A. Scott was named as assignee. The creditors are: Collin County National Bank, $1,050.00, secured by two notes of $525.00 each one due—of—1895, with a credit of $172.00, the other due Nov. 1, 1895. Also interest on both notes. R. C. Moore of Anna, $700 and interest secured by note due Nov. 1, 1895. Swofford Bros. of Kansas City, Mo., $420. McGrow & Co. of Detroit, $406.46. Leon & H. Blum, Gaveston, $562. Roberts, Willis & Taylor Co., Sherman, $20. Dr. T. B. Hodges, Melissa, $100. Beal's, Tony & Co., Milwauka, Wis., $123. H. S. Moore, Melissa, $80. Broy & Loudrum, Louisville, Ky., $94. Miller, Worley Tobacco Co., St. Louis, $10.95. Hughes Bros., Dallas, $13.35. Chamberlain Med. Co., Des Moines, Ia., $18 Cullen & Newman, Knoxville, Tenn., $55 Bain & Chapman, St. Louis, $15.33. Johnson Crockery Co., Sherman, $10.60. Hamlin, Luppert & Co., Winston, N. C., $26.32. Ballers, Webb & Burnett, Dallas, $15. International Stock Food Co., Minn., $20 P. P. Martinez, Dallas, $7.50. Chattanooga Med. Co., $22.50. Alcom Woolen Mills, Corinth, Miss., $30. C. A. Rains, Danville, Va., $29.49. Cullers & Henry, Sherman, $87.

Mr. Graves transfers his one-tenth interest in an undivided 200 acre tract of land, a blacksmith shop and tools therein and his general merchandise stock of goods in Melissa to the assignee for the benefit of his creditors.

PRINCETON PICK-UPS.

Corn and Cotton Shipment. Child's Horrible Death.

Princeton presented an unusually business-like appearance Thursday and Friday. A car of corn was loaded and shipped by R. A. Bishop to H. C. Killingsworth, McKinney; and Alva Wilson sold twenty-seven bales of cotton to Henry Lewis and delivered on board the cars.

Mrs. O. A. Bradley came over from McKinney Tuesday and will spend several days visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. O. Miller.

Chief Warden spent a few hours in Princeton Thursday evening.

M. H. Rambo has moved with his family near Stiff's creek.

Joe Henry has purchased a farm of E. K. Rambo near Princeton. Another good family added to our community.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Clay, a bouncing boy, Friday morning, Feb. 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Moorhead, Monday, Feb. 3, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cupp, Feb. 7, a boy

Last Thursday evening a horrible death occurred about four miles north of Princeton, the particulars of which are as follows: A fire had been kindled in the yard of Mr John Odle during the day for some purpose and was thought to have been extinguished, but the 2-year-old baby girl of their daughter, Mrs. John Monroe who was visiting them, toddled into the yard about 5 o'clock and wandered to the spot where the fire had been and began playing with the chunks, one of which still contained fire, and when moved and exposed to the strong wind which was blowing fanned a blaze which caught the child's clothing in a flash. Its mother hearing the screams flew to its rescue, but too late, only to see the last garment burned from her child's tender body, and sink in sickening, horrible agony. Dr. Boorman was on the scene in a few minutes, but could do nothing, only alleviate to some degree the suffering, until death came with sweet relief about 8 o'clock. One of the mother's hands was severely burned, and the grandmother also received burns on the hands.

The sick are Ed Bush, F. R. Mathis, Ed Geirheart and Joe Henry.

Rev. Joel S. Graves came out Wednesday evening. He preached to an attentive audience Thursday night.

Barnett's gin has pressed 472 bales of cotton during the season 1895-6, an increase over last season of near 100 bales.

Eld. C. H. Cannedy filled the pulpit at the school house Sunday at 11 o'clock and at night.

HPESOJ.

Sister Grove.

Feb. 8, 1896.

Hence Wright is very sick; also Bob Robertson is on the sick list.

Prof. Hubard spent Saturday and Sunday in McKinney.

Mrs. D. B. Tombs visited Mrs. Hagins Tuesday.

Ed Horton is with Horace Dixon for the coming crop year.

Mr. Tucker made a trip to McKinney last Tuesday.

Rev. Vineyard preached several discourses for us, commencing the last Saturday night in January.

The Midway boys attended church here last week.

There will be preaching here the first Sunday and at night.

ANNIE.

Pearls From Parker.

Parker, Texas, Feb. 8, 1896.

Fall oats and wheat are promising.

A new store house and K. & L. of H. hall will be erected soon.

A. D. England and Walter McCreary are on the sick list.

No preaching last Sunday owing to the inclement weather.

Preaching henceforth every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

A few invited guests congregated at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Haley last night to enjoy a few hours in social chat. Bud Wilson and Misses Donna Haley and Ida Smith rendered some delightful music.

J. F. Stinson of Stinson visited his brother at Commerce, Texas, this week.

W. R. Tomlin of St. Paul was in this city yesterday.

T. R. McCreary of Stinson passed through Parker en route to Plano Thursday.

YOUR CORRESPONDENT.

Engleman Notes.

The road between Engleman's mill and Stratton's store is in a very bad condition and should be looked after.

Wm. Biddy's boy is confined to his bed with a fractured ankle, sustained several weeks ago by falling from a wagon.

Miss Virgie Ken has recovered from injuries sustained two weeks ago by falling from a horse.

Arrived at Bill McGuffin's last week, a fine baby boy.

Bud Snider's young son, while chopping wood cut a deep gash in his foot.

Mr. Horton of Corsicana has been visiting relatives in this vicinity the past week.

Grandma Fraze arrived from the Nation last week and is the guest of Mrs. McGuffin.

Mrs. Lewis has recovered from the injury sustained by falling against a rocking-chair.

Miss Gabriella Coffey spent Saturday with relatives in Van Alstyne.

The singing at Mr. Kerr's last Sunday night under the direction of Stockley Armstrong and Will Hardaway was largely attended and good music rendered.

We are sorry to note the disrespect shown to the teacher and school directors of Forrest Grove at last Saturday night's spelling contest by the misbehavior of certain parties, and it is understood that a repetition will insure a consultation of the laws of Texas respecting the protection of schools.

Mr. Watson has moved to ON... Lucas.

Postal Regulations Regarding Newspapers.

On account of some postmasters failing to notify the publisher of this paper of persons who refuse or fail to take THE DEMOCRAT from the office—even in some instances where the subscriber had been dead or moved away for two or three years, we wrote to the postal department for knowledge in regard to the duties of postmasters and in return received the following reply:

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, office of the First Assistant Postmaster-General, Division of Correspondence.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 30, 1895.

F. C. Thompson, McKinney, Texas.

SIR:—I have your communication of the 9th inst., and in reply to your first inquiry invite your attention to Sections 556, 557 and 558, Postal Laws and Regulations, on file at your post office.

WHEN A PERSON CALLS FOR ALL HIS MAIL, INCLUDING PAPERS, HE SHOULD BE GIVEN ALL PAPERS ADDRESSED TO HIM, WHETHER HE MENTIONS THE NAMES OR NOT.

Very respectfully,
W. H. LAMAR,
Acting First Assistant Postmaster General.

Below we give the postal laws as referred to in the above letter:

REFUSED SECOND CLASS MATTER.

SEC. 556. PUBLISHER TO BE NOTIFIED.—Postmasters shall notify the publisher of any newspaper, or other periodical, when any subscriber shall refuse to take the same from the office or neglect to call for it for the period of one month.

SEC. 557. NOTICE: WHEN AND HOW GIVEN.—Notice will be given when a newspaper or periodical is uncalled for or refused, or when the subscriber changes his address without notifying the publisher or ordering his matter forwarded, upon the blank form furnished for that purpose which can be procured by application to the First Assistant Postmaster General, Division of Post Office Supplies. If the first notification be disregarded a second may be sent, calling attention also to the fact of previous notice. The notice is to be given to publishers in Canada and Mexico as well as in this country.

SEC. 558. DISPOSAL OF REFUSED SECOND CLASS MATTER.—After notification has been given, as required in the previous section, the postmaster will hold the refused matter for thirty days after which the same and all copies subsequently arriving should be placed with the waste paper.

The above laws are plain and should be heeded but it is violated by many postmasters.

There is never a second notice sent to this office.

If postmasters will follow the instructions and notify us of every subscriber who fails to take his paper out for one month, and give us the reason, we guarantee there will be no papers left in the office uncalled for.

We keep a file of all legal notices.

We want our subscribers to take notice of the above and thus aid postmasters by informing them when you change postoffices.

A BIG JOKE.

Whiskey Shipped From Local Option Howe to Local Option McKinney.

Some time ago a local option election was held in justice precinct No. 4 and the precinct went dry by a handsome majority. Local option went into effect in that precinct including Van Alstyne and Howe on the 24th of January.

Recently reports have come in to the county officers and judge that Howe saloon-keepers have, since prohibition went into effect, shipped their liquor to McKinney in local option Collin county.

This is quite a joke on the Collin county officers, for it appears that the Howe liquor dealers think they cannot violate with impunity the local option law of justice precinct No. 4 in Grayson county, the liquor dealors of McKinney not only do not fear to violate the laws of their own county but will buy out the stock of dealers in neighboring local option towns in Grayson county. At any rate the incident, if as reported, is highly complimentary to Sherman's executive and judicial officeers.—Sherman Register.

Texas Semi-Centennial.

Dallas, Texas, Jan 25, 1896.

A convention of the people of the state of Texas is hereby called to assemble at the rooms of the Dallas Commercial Club in the city of Dallas, at 10 o.clock on the 25th day of February, 1896, then and there to take into consideration the holding of an exposition in the city of Dallas in the year 1897 commemorative of the semi-centennial existence of Texas and acquistion by the United States of all those sister states and territories added to the American union by the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.

The basis of representation in such convention will be as follows: The governor is requested to appoint thirteen delegates at large. County judges will appoint one delegate for each 5000 population, provided any county not having 5000 population shall be entitled to one delegate. The mayors of all cities and towns will appoint one delegate for each ...population of such city and town. All commercial bodies, commercial clubs or boards of trade will appoint not less than seven delegates each.

It is respectfully requested that the names of all delegates be forwarded to the secretary of the Commercial club of Dallas as soon as appointed.

DALLAS COMMERCIAL CLUB,
By E. W. DOOLITTLE, Pres.
PAUL GIRAUD, Sec.

McKinney, Tex., Feb. 6.—I hereby appoint as delegates to semi-centennial convention, which is to assemble in your city on the 25th of this month, the following named gentlemen, to-wit: J. P. Dowell, W. B. Newsome, Jesse Shain, John Heard, R. De Armond, J. P. Nennéy and John H. Bingham, all of whom are representative men of our city. I hope and believe the semi-centennial will be a grand success both for Dallas and for Texas.

J. M. PEARSON, Mayor.

RELIGIOUS.

Rev. D. J Martin preached two inspritional sermons at the Methodist church Sunday, morning and night.

The anniversary exercises of the C. E. Society at the Christian church attracted a packed congregation Sunday night.

On Friday evening Feb. 21, in the Shain building opposite the Foote House, the ladies of the Christian church will give a good, substantial supper for twenty-five cents. Everybody invited.

The following letter to Endeavorers from Mrs. Alice Leech Kelly, superintendent of the Dallas district, explains itself:

Waxahachie, Tex., Feb. 1, 1896.

Dear Endeavorers:

The Dallas district convention will be held in McKinney on the 28th and 29th of April next. The district is composed of Ellis, Dallas, Collin, Rockwall, Kaufman and Hunt counties. The president of the McKinney local union writes me that they are making preparation for the convention, and will be disappointed if you do not attend. The railroads will be asked to give us reduced rates so as to increase the attendance. See that at least one delegate goes from each society in the district, but the number is not restricted to one, but all will be welcome, even to each individual member of each society in the district. The McKinney local union and the good people of the convention place could not be made happier than for your whole society to attend.

The program will be ready by the first of March, and will be given to the papers. My address is Waxahachie, Tex., and I will be glad to hear from any one in regard to the convention, and will give any information that I may possess. Hoping to see you in McKinney on April 28 and 29, I am

Yours in the work, and for the convention,

MRS. ALICE LEECH KELLY,
Dist. Supt.

HONOR ROLL.

The following gentlemen have our hearty thanks for financial favors extended in settling and renewing their subscriptions to The Democrat since our last report:

Charley Murphy
J H Jenkins
First National Bank
w B Kindall
Smith Bros
J R Mankin
Dr w E Rucker
C L Snyder
J w Smith
G w Cowan
J H Taylor
w M Bryant
J J wilson
J w Isbell
B J Forbes
B A Scott
A N Hays

ONE OF MANY.

L. A. Hartman and J. A. Spaugh of climax marketed a drove of stock hogs in McKinney this week. They were attracted to this market, so they say, by reading THE DEMOCRAT which contained a three line local last week stating that a certain firm of McKinney was buying stock hogs. After disposing of their hogs one of these farmers, Mr. Spaugh, purchased a fine Jersey bull at a fancy price from another of McKinney's citizens, thus, making The Democrat directly instrumental in bringing about another important sale for our city. Moral: if you want to do business with the people, speak to them about it through the columns of THE DEMOCRAT.

Children Cry for
Pitcher's Castoria.

An Invitation.

At its last meeting in McKinney the Central Populist Club of Collin county unanimously adopted the following resolution with the request that all county papers publish same:

Resolved, That an invitation is hereby extended to any and all citizens who believe in any measures of reform and who are yet not ready to join the Peoples Party to attend the meetings of this lub—the first Saturday in each month—and participate in the discussion of such measures of reform, or any other question of political import which may come before the body.

A new hitching device by which fire engine horses are harnessed by one move of a fireman's hand is being tried in San Francisco. It is the invention of a San Francisco machinist. The main part of the invention is a self-closing collar. As a whole, the device is somewhat complicated, but it is said to work well.

RAM'S HORN.

Good, as God sees it, is the good of all.

Much doing is not so important as well doing.

Faith in Christ makes the coffin a chariot.

If we could see better the world would be better.

A blind man's world can be measured with a cane.

Whatever God does, is for the good of the Christian.

Love can be misunderstood, but never over-estimated.

We can only do our best when we are sure we are right.

Putting out the eyes cannot blind the man who has a seeing soul.

Some men seem to have been made out of dust with gravel in it.

Sin always takes the defensive when the sword of the Spirit is drawn.

It is hard to get a dyspeptic to believe that the millenium will ever come.

Men worthy to serve God for gain are willing to serve the devil for nothing.

In the moment that a sinner knows that Christ is Christ, he loses his guilt.

Selfishness is self robbery, no matter whether it dwells in a hut or a palace.

The conviction of sinners is sure to be deep when the church is hearing God speak.

When Columbus sighted land, he gave men better eyes and enlarged the world.

Building on a rock is an investment that pays dividends with every thunder clap.

When the devil is most like a roaring lion, he is most careful to hide his teeth.

Knock down a hypocrite and you will upset a bigger one who is hiding behind him.

More than one man who can see the mistakes of Moses, is stone blind to his own.—Ram's Horn.

ROYAL Baking Powder.
Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report

ALLIANCE DEPARTMENT.

[MISS CORA CALDWELL OFFICIAL EDITOR.]

(All communications and notices suitable for insertion under this caption should be addressed to the editor at Climax, Tex.)

DIRECTORY.

County alliance meets with New Hope alliance, in McKinney, Apr. 15. Officers: A. C. Stroup, Pres., Verona; Miss Sallie Stroup, Sec., Verona.

SUB-ALLIANCES.

SNOW HILL—Meets first and third Thursday nights.
W. P. Bilderback, Pres. Fayburg.
W. C. Reed, Sec., Fayburg

NEW HOPE—Meets in McKinney second and fourth Saturdays at 2 p. m.
M. W. Younger, Pres.
W. B. Wilson, Sec.

VREONA:—Meets second and fourth Thursday nights.
A C. Stroup, Pres., Verona.
T. L. Bailey, Sec., "

The course of the weariest river
Ends in the great gray sea;
The acorn forever and ever
Strives upward to the tree.
The rainbow the sky adorning
Shines promise through the storm;
The glimmer of the coming morning
Through midnight gloom will form.
By time all knots are riven,
Complex although they be;
And peace at last will be given
Alike to bond and free.

Though the pathway may be dreary
Look onward to the goal;
Though heart and head be weary
Let faith inspire the soul.
Seek the right, though the wrong be tempting
Speak the truth at any cost;
Vain is all, weak exempting,
When once the gem is lost.
Let strong hand and keen eye be ready
For pivin and ambushed foes;
Earnest thought and fancy steady
Bear best until the close.

The heavy clouds may be raining
But with evening comes the night;
Though the dark winds are complaining
Yet sunshine gilds the height.
And love has his hidden treasure
For the patient and the pure;
And time gives its fullest measure
To the workers who endure.
And the word that no law has shaken
Has the future pledge supplied;
For we know, when we awaken,
We shall be satisfied.

Dallas gets the meeting next year of the National Farmers, Alliance and Industrial Union. The attraction of gravitation has planted its centerpole firmly in Texas soil.—Fort Worth Gazette:

The National Farmers, Alliance meets next year in Dallas. The people of Dallas should expect great things and prepare to receive them.—Dallas News.

Dear alliance people:—It has been quite a while since I wrote for this department, and by this time you all know the cause of my long silence. I am now ready to do my part of the work if you will do yours. I have not received any reports from sub-alliances since last July, therefore I earnestly request all subs to send in their reports immediately.

May God help you people to realize the importance of your work for eighteen hundred and ninety-six. Let us do our very best this year and put our trust in the Great Omnipotent for the victory we hope to win.

Fraternally,
CORA CALDWELL.

Climax, Tex., Feb. 8, '96.

Notice Secretaries!

Secretaries of all sub-allances in Collin county will please send in their respective directories at once for insertion in these columns.

$100 REWARD $100.

The readers of this paper will b pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucious surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address, F. J. Chiney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggist, 75c

Gold At Cripple Creek

The fabulously rich gold mining district of Cripple Creek, Colorado, is attracting hundreds of people. By Spring the rush bids fair to be enormous. That there is an abundance of gold there, is demonstrated beyond doubt. Fortunes are being rapidly made.

To reach Cripple Creek, take the SANTA FE ROUTE, the only standard gauge line direct to the camp. Pullman sleepers and chair cars. The SANTA FE lands you right in the heart of Cripple Creek.

THE BEST WAY TO GET THERE IS OVER THE SANTA FE ROUTE.

Inquire of nearest Ticket Agent, or address, W. S. Keenan G. P. A., G. C. & S. F. Ry, Galveston, Texas.

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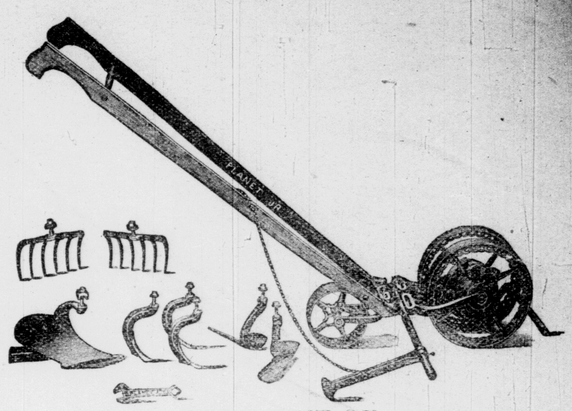
And Cultivators.



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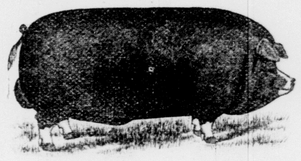

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Write or call on me at McKinney, Texas.

T. M. WIL...

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New Quarters, full of New G... Cheap

in keeping with the quality. The place ... W. Fox's, where you will find the celebrated

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...gory Spring Trip Cultivator (walki...
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O'BRIEN WAGO...

Has tongue and groove fire. See this wagon; a... line of Racine Buggies and Carriages. Come to see us. ... Shrader will be pleased to see his old friends, and I will do what I can to merit your patronage. I invite all my old friends while in the dry goods business to visit us and know us as hardwear.

Very truly,

J. C. WYLIE.

CATSUP.

Adulterated food. Do you believe in it? If so, better buy chalk instead of sugar, cotton seed oil instead of olive oil.

Perhaps though you think of your health or about the flavor of what you are eating. No way then but to buy straight-forward groceries. Supposing part of it is they cost you more than the adulterated stuff. The dealer makes the difference in the cost. Guess he loses in reputation though. We value our reputation and customers do too.

Very respectfully,
T. J. MELTON.

POPULISTS!

The central club meets in McKinney Saturday, March 7. We will have speaking.

CONGRESSMAN W. H. Crain of the eleventh Texas district died in Washington Monday morning, after three days illness of pneumonia.

THE columns of THE DEMOCRAT are open to those who wish to publicly renounce their allegiance to the G. O. P.

Judge Woods to Speak.

Judge H. D. Woods of Greenville, will speak at Nevada Monday night Feb. 17th, and at Josephine Tuesday night following. Everybody in those communities should go out and hear this able man discuss the political issues of the day from a populist standpoint.

Don't neglect to get your neighbors to take The Democrat during this campaign year.

INDORSEMENT.

Allen, Tex., Feb. 10, '96.

MR. EDITOR:

As we believes that prohibition will prohibit if the officers will perform their sworn duties and men will swear the truth when they know the law has been violated, I want to endorse with both hands up, the resolutions of the "Anna Law and Order association." Yes, the whisky king must be subdued for he is an avowed enemy to God, the Bible and the human family.

Yea, he is opposed to law and order, good government, good morals and good society.

Yours truly,
J. A. KERR,
Paster Methodist church.

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HARRY TRACY.

Of Dallas will speak at Plano Tuesday Feb 20. Friends will please scatter the announcement

CITY ELECTION APRIL 6.

We are authorized to announce
For Marshall,
SAM BURKS.
CHIEF WARDEN
W S PHILLIPS
For City Assessor and Collector
T. L. McMULLEN.
R. B. DAVIS
WASHTAYLOR

ELECTION NOV. 3.

We are authorized to announce
For Constable, Ind'nt., Precinct No. 1,
MARVEL WILLIAMS.

Subject to the action of the democratic party.
For Constable Precinct No. 1.
J. C. BOONE.
J. E. CAMPBELL.
J. C. KERBY
For Justice of Peace Precinct No 1
J. T. ANDREWS.
For District Court Clerk
E R HALL

To Candidat s Of All Parties.

If you desire to have your name placed before the many readers of THE DEMOCRAT why, just send us word or call and see us. We charge regular rates, but do not desire to constantly bore you to get you to announce with us. If you think it is of any advantage to be represented before our large list of subscribers /of course you will announce in THE DEMOCRAT.

CRISP LOCAL ITEMS.

Concerning People and Home Events of Interest to All.

Cleaned From Everywhere—Unprecedented Growth of That Young Gaint—The Peoples Party.

Adrian Andrews is on the sick list.

Capt. Brady has been very sick again.

Beautiful Japanese gold fish at the Nickel Store—see them.

Todd Largent is bookkeeping for Wilcox & Rogers.

Plummer Harris came up from Alvarado Saturday.

KNOCKED OUT!—all competition by Denton's Pharmacy.

Miss Mary Bagley is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Gillespie, at Ladonia.

Chas. Devou is repainting T. H. Emerson's residence.

Call on J. H. Forbes for fresh groceries.

T. D. Shipman, of Climax, transacted business in McKinney last week.

M. Andrews is visiting his parents county.

ie Nichols, of Gainesville, of friends in McKinney.

Nickle Store's mammoth of useful articles.

Authur Lawrence dined a few relatives on the 6th, his 25th birthday.

Wonders of the age at the Nickel store—call and see for yourself.

Miss Etna Cannedy, of Rowlett, is visiting in Fairfield.

Call on J. H. Forbes for Bombay, Java coffee.

Miss Ella Bennett, of Vineland, is visiting here.

Miss Nettie Adler, of Greenville visited in McKinney last week.

Nickle Store for bargains.

Enzy Self died recently near Rock Hill. He was a farmer living on Dr. Webster's farm, and leaves a wife and four children.

Misses Dora Roberts, Linnie Brooks and Ada Rogers, of Rock Hill, were pleasant callers on The Democrat recently.

S. S. Carr, one of McKinney's most popular barbers, is again at his chair after a brief vacation on the road.

J. J. Rogers is now associated with J. T. Couch, selling pianos and organs.

J. W. McGraw, who lately embarked in the grocery business in McKinney, moved his family over from Farmersville last week.

Purest wines and whiskies in the market at Denton's Pharmacy, for medical purposes only.

Mrs. Tom Massie and Miss Sue Common, of Van Alstyne, were visitors in McKinney recently.

Don't spend money by travel when you can recuperate at home by the aid of Denton's Pharmacy.

W. F. Cobb returned Friday to Newport, Arkansas, where he was called by the death of a brother.

Democrats, republicans and populists all agree that trading with the Nickle Store is the best financial policy.

John George, of Altoga, was in McKinney Monday on his return from Dallas where he has been serving on the federal grand jury.

All of munyon's homeopathic remedies on hand at Smith Bros., druggest east side square.

The commissioners' court let the contract for recovering the court house to J. P. Crouch & Co. They began work last week.

Mrs Dr. Wolford, of Allen, was in this city last week, visiting and shopping.

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PRICE'S
CREAM
BAKING
POWDER
MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.
40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Joe Mounts, the negro crap shooter, gave bond Friday and was released.

Call on J. H. Forbes for northern patent flour and the best home made brands.

A negro named John Taylor was jailed Thursday. He was accused of petty theft committed near Allen, and gave bond and was released.

Exposure to cold, damp winds, may result in pneumonia unless the system is kept invigorated with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

C. L. Snyder represented Climax in McKinney Friday. He indicated his approval of The Democrat by renewing for another year.

Spend your nickles at the Nickle Store.

F. M. Barnett returned Saturday from Whitesboro. His little son, Wre, who accompanied him, took the measles soon after their arrival up there and as a consequence their visit was considerably extended.

In a recent editorial the Salem, Oregon, Independent says: "Time and again have we seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy tried and never without the most satisfactory results. Whenever we see a person afflicted with hoarseness, with a cough or cold, we invariably advise them to get Chamberlain's Cough Remedy; and when they do, they never regret it. It always does the work, and does it well." For Sale by City Drug Store.

Mrs. A. P. Kirkwood, who once lived near Nevada, was taken violently insane one day last week at her home near Renner, Dallas county, and had to be taken to the asylum at Terrell.

J. H. Forbes has a good supply of Ferry's and Crossman's garden seeds in bulk and packages.

Polite attention at Denton's Pharmacy.

A farmer named Jim Peacock, living on Jim Bush's place, was arrested in Dallas last week for dealing in counterfeit money. He has embroiled himself in the toils with Uncle Sam and will doubtless have trouble in extricating himself.

Make a dash for long life by dashing for Denton's Pharmacy.

Mrs. P. B. H. Shearer, of Denison, was elected vice president of the Rebekah state assembly recently at Houston. Mrs. Shearer's many friends in McKinney, her former home, are proud to note this distinguished honor falling on one so worthy.

Go to P. E. Denton for fresh drugs.

Hon. John Church, George Quisenberry, William Bagley, J. P. Dowell, Dr. E. L. Burton and S. Wiseman went down to Dallas last Thursday evening to hear the eloquent Col. Ingersoll.

Other makers turn out Jeans Pants, some good, some bad, some cheap, some high prices. We make the BUCK-SKIN BREECHES, they're the best Jeans Pants made. The price is as low as that of common goods. We save by system in the factory, by buying the best prices. Our skilled help. The pants are never sighted. They're always the same in goodness.

Deputy United States Marshal Stephens came up after Assistant Postmaster Bagley, Thursday, and took him to Dallas where the latter appeared as a witness in the case of Mr. Pennick, of this county, who is charged with using the mails for fraudulent purposes.

The exposure to all sorts and conditions of weather that a lumberman is called upon to endure in the camps often produces severe cold which, if not promptly checked results in congestion or pneumonia. Mr. J. C. Bayenport, ex-manager of the Fort Bragg Redwood Co., an immense institution at Fort Bragg, Cal., says they sell large quantities of Chamberain's Cough Remedy at the company's store and that he has himself used this remedy for a severe cold and knows it to be a reliable one. This remedy prevents any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia and insures a prompt recovery. For sale by City Drug Store.

Alex Smith and mother left Friday for their home in La Belle, Missouri. They have been visiting J. P. Crouch and family.

Dr. Simmons Cough Syrup is only fifty cents a bottle and contains fifty doses; try it, and if you are not benefited your money will be refunded. Manufactured by A. C. Simmons Jr., Med. Co., Sherman, Tex. For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

Dr. Joe Breton was called to Fort Worth Sunday evening, by a telegram announcing the serious illness of his aged grandmother. His brother, Ed., went down Monday.

Best Family Medicine.

Mr. C. N. Jones, Girard, Ala., says, May 16th, 1895: "I was suffering from Catarrh in the head and was cured by King's Royal Germetuer. We keep it all the time, and believe that it is the best family medicine there is on the market to day."

Germetuer suits all ages in the home. It is so pleasant to take that all like it. It is so harmless that the tenderest babe and most delicate invalids are always safe in using it.

It cures when all else fails. New package, large bottles, 108 doses, $1. For sale by—Smith Bros.

Mrs. W. E. Marshall leaves this week for New York and other eastern markets to be absent for several weeks in the interest of her millinery establishment at M. Aron & Co's.

The name of E. R. Hall appears in our announcement columns as a Candidate for district court clerk subject to the action of the democratic party. The editor of the Democrat has been acquainted with Lige for a number of years and is prepared to say that if he is elected to the position named, he will prove an efficient and impartial official. We bespeak for him due consideration by the voters of his party.

"Princeton Pick-ups" in this issue og The Democrat contains an account of the frightful death of John Monroe's little two-year old child which occurred about nine miles east of McKinney last thursday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Rexrode, Tuesday morning, a boy.

J. H. Forbes has a full line of Blanke's best candies.

Dr. S. H. Abbott returned Sunday evening from a business trip to Vernon Texas.

That cough of yours may become serious; why neglect it when a bottle of Dr. Simmons Cough Syrup will cure it. Fifty doses for fifty cents. Satisfaction guaranteed. For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

B. A. Scott of Engleman was in to see us Tuesday and left cash for The Democrat.

Onion sets, seed potatoes, garden seed in bulk and papere; prices will suit you. W. W. McDowell.

T. M. McDaniel left, Sunday, for the Northern markets.

Now is the time for cough and la grippe cures and you can find all the standard ones at City Drug Store.

Jap Hesley is dangerously ill.

FOR SALE:—A high grade organ. Call on The Democrat.

Mrs. Belle Kelley, the Mississippi Store's dressmaker, left to-day for northern and eastern markets.

A car load of the well known Sherwin Williams paint just received at the City Drug Store.

County Commissioners' Court is in session.

The best is the cheapest, the purest is the best. Palace Car paint is guaranteed absolutely pure by J. M. Wilcox & Son.

J. W. Isbell of Altoga was in McKinney, Monday, and handed us cash for three years' subscription—a strong indorsemen tof The Democrat.

Our spring stock of wall paper, the largest ever brought to McKinney, and the prices will astonish you. Call and see at City Drug Store.

The prisoners confined in the county jail were the recipients of a nice supper from The Kings Daughters last evening.

J. H. Forbes would be pleased to have you call on him in his new grocery store and get his prices on strictly fresh goods.

Sam Livingston was arrested for cattle theft and placed in jail last week. He made a $500 bond and was released, to be immediately rearrested on another charge similar to the first one. He again made a $500 bond and was again released. Livingston resides a few miles south west of Farmersville.

For the old celebrated McGale whisker call at Denton's Pharmacy. This is a pure brand, has been analyzed and is kept for medical purposes only and Denton is the sole dealer of it in McKinney. When you buy always buy the best. The above named brand has been thoroughly tested. Don't forget the place, Denton's reliable Pharmacy on the East Side.

Sherman's Big Failure

Cullers & Henry, wholesale grocers of Sherman, filed a deed of trust Monday. The Sherman Journal says the total liabilities will probably exceed $100,000.

Are you troubled with bad flour? If so, use the celebrated Fleur de Hungroise, handled in every town in the county. Ask your neighbors who have tried it. Call for it.

Foncine.

Foncine Feb., 96.

Oat sowing will soon be done.

We have a good school this season; Prof G. W. Scoggins in charge.

Miss Lizzie Montgomery is visiting in McKinney.

Mesdames McKinney and Davis and Miss Florence Lemons visited Mrs Chandler, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs Boss Hand were the guests of the latter's parents near Allen Sunday.

W. T. Hall, a former resident of this community, is quite sick at Armour Texas.

R. S. Davis recently received a nice sample of apples from Arkansas.

FOXCIE.

A Recomendation From Los Angeles.

632 Castelar St., LOS ANGELES, Cal.—After having suffered for a long time from a acute rheumatism without obtaining relief, I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and was almost immediately relief. I highly recommend this as the best medicine known. D. M. HAMILTON. for sale by City Drug Store.

Many M. D's were noticeable on our streets Tuesday. The regular monthly meeting of the Collin county Medical association drew them here.

Palace Car paint covers 75 per cent more surface, looks better, lasts longer and makes the finest finish of any paint in the market. Sold under an absolute guarantee by J. M. Wilcox & Son.

Mrs. Sallie Puckett is visiting her daughter Mrs. Ollie White at Wylie.

Prescriptions filled with purest drugs and whiskies or brandy at City Drug Store.

Dr. W. E. Rucker has moved from Altoga to Richardson. The Doctor called on us on the way to his new location, and paid for The Democrat for another year. He also left an order for stationery.

We contract paint work and paper hanging and will guarantee satisfaction at City Drug Store.

The Kings Daughters served supper Tuesday evening in the building just west of the American Express Company office.

Are you troubled with bad flour. If so, use the celebrated Fluer de Hungroise, handled in every town in the county. Ask your neighbors who have tried it. Call for it.

Collin's Postal Service.

A democrat reporter obtained the following data concerning lin county's postal service from Col-the latest records in the McKinney post office which might be worth clipping for your scrap book:

The Blue Ridge, Verona and Altoga mail is due in McKinney at 12 M. Leaves McKinney for above places at 1 P. M., daily.

The Celina, Vineland and Rhea Mills mail due in McKinney at 6 P. M. Leaves for above places at 7: 30 a. m., daily.

Lebanon, Rock Hill, Foncine, Prosper and Erudia due in McKinney at 7 p. m. Leaves for above places at 6 a. m., daily.

Weston, Roland and Chambersville mail due in McKinney 11:30 a. m. Leaves for above places 1:30 p. m., daily.

Wylie, Lucas and Engleman mail due in McKinney 12 m. Leaves for above places 1 p. m. daily.

Wylie also gets mail from McKinney by railway both south and east.

Valdasta receives mail via Melissa. Climax has three mails weekly via Princeton Tuesdays Thursdays and Saturdays.

Number of money orders offices eleven. Namely, Anna Melissa, Nevada, Copeville, Wylie, Farmersville, Celina, Lebanon, Weston Plano, and McKinney. Whole number offices in Collin county forty six. Namely, Anna, Allen, Altoga, Aleo, Blue Ridge, Callis, Culleroke, Copeville, Celina, Chambersville, Engleman, Erudia, Farmersville, Fayburg, Foncine, Frankford, Hickmian, Josephine, Knox, Lavon, Lebanon, Lucas, Maple, Melissa, Mareland, Millwood, Murphy, McKinney, Nevada, Pike, Princeton, Prosper, Parker, Plano, Renner, Rhea Mills, Rock Hill, Roland, Roseland, Rhymer, Sedalia, Shepton, Verona, Vineland, Weston, and Wylie.

If asked the question "Have you got a stomach?" it would be safe on general principle to answer "Yes." But, if you are sure of it that is, if you ever feel any distress after eating or any pains of whatever description in the region of the stomach, you have got something more than an ordinary stomach, in other words, you have got a diseased stomach. The stomach is a powerful muscle, and the proper remedy for a tired muscle is rest. Try the Shakers Digestive Cordial, for this product not only contains digested food, which will nourish the system without any work on the part of the disease organs, but it aids the digestion of other foods as well. You can test its value in your case for the trifling sum of 10 cents. Sample bottles at this price are carried by all druggest.

LAXOL is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

"MARDI GRAS."

NEW ORLEANS, FEBRUARY 17th AND 18th.

The Texas & Pacific Railway will sell tickets at one fare for the round trip from all points on the system February 15th, 16th and 17th, good to return March 2nd, 1895. Only line running through pullman palace sleeping cars and day coaches to New Orleand. For further information call on or address your nearest ticket agent, or Gaston Meslier, Gen'l passenger & ticket agent, W. A. Dashiel, Traveling passenger agent, Dallas, Texas.

The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.

M'KINNEY MARKETS.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 13.

Cotton	7 to 7¼cts.
Wheat per bus	30 to 50cts.
Corn " "	20 to 22cts.
Oats " "	10 to 15cts.
Hay, baled, per ton	$4.00 to $5.00
Millet hay per ton	$5.00 to $6.00
Flour per cwt	$2.00 to 2.30
Meal " hug	35cts.
Chops per cwt	70cts.
Bran " cwt	60cts.
Butter per lb	10 to 15cts.
Eggs per doz	7 to 8cts.
Lard per lb	8 to 10cts.
Hogs per cwt	$3.20
Beef on foot per cwt	$1.80 , $2.00.
" dressed " lb	5cts.
Dressed pork per lb	4¼ cts.
Chickens per doz	$1.50 to $2.00
Cotton seed per ton	$9.00.

A Strong Fortification.

Fortify the body against disease by Tutt's Liver Pills, an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, jaundice, biliousness and all kindred troubles.

"The Fly-Wheel of Life"

Dr. Tutt: Your Liver Pills are the fly-wheel of life. I shall ever be grateful for the accident that brought them to my notice. I feel as if I had a new lease of life.
J. Fairleigh, Platte Cannon, Col.

Tutt's Liver Pills

Lebanon Siftings

Feb. 10, 1896.

Mrs. Belew is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kirkpatrick. She resides in the Indian Nation.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Wolfe of Lebanon lost their little child last Friday week. Its little body was interred at Rowlett cemetery Saturday.

Joe Collingsworth and wife had a fine boy to come to see them recently.

Mrs. C. S. Dennard visited her mother, Mrs. Young, Sunday.

The Methodists held their quarterly conference at Allen first of this month.

School will be out at Young school house next Friday.

Oat sowing is being rushed by our farmers.

Mrs. Dillon returned a few days since from a visit to her parents in Louisiana.

A couple of brick houses will likely be built in Allen in the near future.

BIMET.

Teachers' Examination.

The next regular county examination will be in session three days.

On Thursday Feb. 20, applicants will be examined on the following permanent certificate subjects: History of Education, General History, English Literature, American Literature, Chemistry, Solid Geometry, Plane Trigonometry and book keeping. On Friday Feb. 21, applicants will be examined on the usual first and second grade subjects. On Saturday Feb. 22, applicants will be examined on the usual third grade subjects.

W. W. SHEPHERD, Co. Supt.

Viney Grove Populists.

All reformers of this community are invited to meet at Viney Grove school house (No 1.) Saturday night Feb. 22, at which time a peoples party club will be organized. Everybody is invited irrespective of party affiliations.

E. D. BOMAR.

Second Hand Square Pianos.

These pianos, quality considered with price, we believe have never been equalled in Texas before. In each case we have marked the prices from $15 to $35 less than their actual value. Will guarantee each instrument to be in good playing order when shipped. Price includes stool and cover, boxed ready for shipment. Terms: ½ cash, balance next fall, ¼ cash balance 5 and 10 months or $15 cash and $7 a month. To responsible parties will sell on fall time without cash payment.

Prices as follows: $38, $48, $70, $78, $125, 2 at $135 each, 3 at $145 each, $148, 2 at $150 each, 2 at $168 each.

Several fine bargains in good second-hand organs, from $45 to $68.

Write us for full information.

WILL A. WATKIN MUSIC CO.,
269 Main St., Dallas, Tex.

Best line of New Pianos and Organs in the South West.

Barnett Batch

Feb. 11, 1896.

The long wet spell has thrown our farmers behind with spring work.

Our school is threatened with whooping cough and measles which are on both sides of the district.

The young people of Barnett community will probably begin a spelling next Friday night.

Last Wednesday, while wrestling with another boy, Walter McTee, one of our pupils sustained a sprained ankle. ENOCH.

Another Railroad.

The McKinney and Great Western railway company has been organized to build a railroad from McKinney via Decatur to Jacksboro, Texas, and a charter has been applied for. The directors are: J. G. Long of Cleveland, Ohio; W. C. Clark of Boston, Mass.; James McLester of Wise county, Texas. S. B. West of Kansas City, Mo., and O. W. Cowan of Chicago, is president, and S. B. West of Kansas City secretary and treasurer. —Fort Worth Gazette.

Ex-Confederate Entertainment

To-morrow night the members of the ex-confederate camp will render an excellent program at Heard's opera house. Proceeds to be applied to the Jeff Davis monument fund.

The ex-confederates will be assisted by their wives, the fire boys and several young ladies of the city. An evening of rare enjoyment is in store for all who attend.

OUR SPRING STOCK

We are making preparations to fully meet the demands of the SPRING TRADE.

Mr. Grover Mabry the company of our firm and our buyer leaves in a few days for New York to purchase our Spring Stock. A harder worker and closer buyer does not go there from North Texas. We will have the new, up-to-date stuff in all departments

AT POPULAR PRICES.

For the next two weeks we call your special attention to our line of staples in

COTTON GOODS, SHOES, CLOTHING, &c.

Extra good quality 4-4 ea Island Domestic	5c per Yd
Extra good quality 4-4 Bleach Domestic	5c per Yd
Genuine 4-4 Lonsdale Bleach Domestic	7 1-2c pr Yd

This is the greatest Bargains you will find soon.

Best brands of Prints only	5c Yd
Beautiful line New Percales	10c to 15c Yd
Good Quality Apron Checks and Ginghams	5c Yd
Good Quality Dress Ginghams	5c Yd
All Wool Filled Schoolboy Jeans only	20c Yd
Children's Grain School Shoes	50c to $1.00 Pr
Ladies Unlined Best Quality Calf Button Shoes, all sizes, Every Pair Guaranteed.	$1.50
Ladies Kid Button Shoes	75c and $1.00
Ladies Dongola Kid Button Shoes, Pat. Tip, pointed or square toe worth $1.50,	$1.25,
Men's Gusset Plow Shoes	75c
Good Quality Oil Grain Congress Plow Shoes only	$1.25
Jeans Pants 75c pr. Sold elsewhere for $1.00	
Men's Ducking Pants and Overalls from	50c to $1.25
Men's Work Shirts	25c

Will sell you the BEST 50c Work Shirt ever sold in McKinney. See our line of

Negligee and Dress Shirts from 75 cents to $1.50.

Three pr Extra Heavy Cotton Socks for 25c, equal to any you can buy at other stores for 12 1-2c

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THE

Original and Only One Price Cash House in McKinney.

Respectfully,

Perry, Oldham & Co.

P. S. Oin Dress-maker, Mrs. Belle Stiff-Kelley, left for New York to-day.

J. J. Rogers for organs and pianos with J. T. Couch, McKinney, Texas.

Never confuse sentiment with business. If I can't cure you, I don't want your money. Respectfully,
DR. SIMMONS, Cough Syrup.
For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

I sell the following famous makes of pianos: Estey, Camp & Co, Merrifield, and Adam Schaff. J. T. Couch, McKinney, Texas.

Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment Is unequalled for Eczema, Tetter, Salt-Rheum, Scald Head, Sore Nipples, Chapped Hands, Itching Piles, Burns, Frost Bites, Chronic Sore Eyes and Granulated Eye Lids. For sale by druggists at 25 cents per box.

TO HORSE OWNERS.

For putting a horse in a fine healthy condition try Dr. Cady's Condition Powders. They tone up the system, aid digestion, cure loss of appetite, relieve constipation, correct kidney disorders and destroy worms, giving new life to an old or over-worked horse. 25 cents per package. For sale by druggists.

City candidates should put their announcements in The Democat at once.

We guarantee Palace Car paint to be chemically pure, to cover more, last longer and make the finest finish of any paint in the market.

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A Card

I take this method of announcing to the public that I have as nice a pen of Barred Plymouth chickens as can be found in Collin Co. And have a few settings of eggs for hatching that I would like to sell to those desiring eggs for that purpose. Respectfully,

J. H. Sneed.

Piles! Piles! Itching Piles.

Symptoms—Moisture, intense itching and stinging, most at night; worse by scratching. It bleeds and discharges, forms which often become very sore. Ulcerations, becoming very offensive. DR. SWAYNE'S OINTMENT stops the itching, and bleeding, at once, affords immediate relief, and in most cases removes the tumors. At druggist, or by mail, for 50 cts. DR. SWAYNE & SON, Philadelphia.

Buy the Kingsbury piano.

A slight cough is a slight thing, but it may become serious; do not hesitate to buy a bottle of Dr. Simmons Cough Syrup, it will cure you. Satisfaction guaranteed. For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

Onion sets, seed potatoes, garden seed in bulk and papers; prices will suit you. W. W. McDowell.

J. J. Rogers will call on his many friends in Collin county in the near future and endeavor to sell them a first-class organ or piano at such low figures that it will make their heads dizzy.

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Look out! for J. J. Rogers, the organ and piano man.

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BUSINESS BARGAINS.

In This Column will be Found Items of Interest to Those who Would Save Money.

Buy the Kingsbury piano.

A full line of pipes at Smith Bros. Druggists, east side square.

Grand rush to Denton's Pharmacy. Fall in; keep step with the crowd.

Take your produce to W.D. Goostree's for the best market prices.

The famous Nickel Store's popularity increases with age.

Large and small window glass—all sizes—at City Drug Store.

Now is the time for chapped hands and lips, for a remedy go to Smith Bros. Druggists, east side square.

M. B. Rexrode will sell you a Chicago Cottage organ, the most popular organ in the South-West, on time to suit purchaser. Discount for cash.

Elephants, Japanese gold fish, Polly and Uncle Ed are the attractions at the Nickel Store.

Did you ever try our extracts of lemon and vanilla, they are our own manufacture and are absolutely pure? Smith Bros., Druggists, E. side square.

My stock of groceries is complete and fresh. My prices cannot be beaten Give me a trial.—W. D Goostree.

Just received, fifty new styles of visiting tablets and have envelopes to match. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

We will compound your prescriptions at any hour, night or day—night bell on front window. Smith Bros. Druggists, east side square.

Many spurious imitations but only one genuine Denton's Pharmacy in the world.

This is the season for coughs and colds. We carry 20 kinds of remedies. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

We have three registered men in charge of our prescription department. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

Go to M. B. Rexrode, one door south of the Collin County bank, and buy the best organ in the market.

Ha there, you old rheumatic! Buy Denton's drugs and stop grunting.

We have quite a variety of combs, hair brushes, tooth brushes, tooth powder, face powder and other toilet articles. Smith Bros. Druggists.

Denton's Pharmacy is the best known drugstore in North Texas.

We carry a complete stock of fine toilet soaps at prices to suit every body. Smith Bros. The leading Druggists.

Window glass and putty for sale cheap at Wilcox & Sons' lumber yard.

Denton's Pharmacy is neat as a pin and contains nothing but the freshest of drugs.

To merchants in the country—If you have prescriptions that you do not carry the stock to fill, give us a call. We believe we carry a much larger stock than any one in McKinney. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

FOR SALE OR TRADE.—Three hundred and twenty acres of land near Breckinridge, Stephens county, Texas; all under fence. Call or write to The Democrat for further information.

All the famous brands of wines and whiskies at Denton's Pharmacy. Sold only on prescription.

As to prices on same quality of goods no one can undersell us. Smith Bros Druggists, east side square.

Smith Bros. have made a specialty of prescriptions for the past ten years and keep the most complete and purest stock of prescription goods ever brought to McKinney.

When in McKinney bring your families to W. D. Goostree's grocery store and see his large stock.

We carry a nice line of perfumes and toilet waters—such imported brands as Pinaud, Bellatrey, Atkinson and others. We also carry quite a line of domestic manufacture. Smith Bros. Druggists, east side square.

If you want a first-class machine and blacksmith shop in A... half interest in a first-class machine and blacksmith shop in A... call or write to The Democrat, McKinney, Texas. Terms half cash, balance in notes.

M. B. Rexrode, one door south of the Collin County bank will sell you an organ cheaper than any dealer in McKinney, quality considered, either the Chicago, Cottage, Packard, Milton Sterling. Also will order a piano of one of 22 different makes at a closer margin than any dealer in the county, for cash or installment. Give him a call. All instruments guaranteed for five years.

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That we only use the best and purest drugs that money will buy in our prescriptions. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

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TO PHYSICIANS.

We manufacture all our tinctures and syrups from assayed drugs according to last revision of U. S. Pharmacopia and guarantee their purity and strength. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

"How to Cure All Skin Diseases."

Simply apply "Swayne's Ointment." No internal medicine required. Cures tetter, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, leaving the skin clear, white and healthy. The great healing and curative powers are not to be equaled by any other remedy. Ask your druggist for Swayne's Ointment.

Pitcher's Castoria
Children Cry

Do you want an organ cheap? If you do, see me at once and I can supply you with any of the following makes: Estey, Camp & Co, Newman Bros, and Western Cottage. J. T. Couch, Bingham block, McKinney, Texas.

I have just added to my stock furnishing goods a line of... chines, needles, oils, can... Respectfully...

The Estey Organ

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POPULIST PARAGRAPHS,

Ex-Mayor J. C. Terrell of Ft Worth, a very prominent democrat of the Panther City, is one of the latest recruits for the peoples party.

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The populist candidate for govenor of Ohio polled 15,563 votes in 1893. In 1895 Coxey, The candidate of the same party, polled 52,675—World Almanac.

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Senator Tillman of South Carolina says "The people of my state are headed for the populist party and I am going with them."

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Democracy didn't even put up any "electoral delegates in Kansas in 1892. Query: If it didn't stand any more show than that in 1892 what kind of a show down will it make in 1896?

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In 1892, the populist vote of Iowa was 20,482; in 1893, 23,380; 1894 34,9074; and in 1895 it showed alarming signs of death by casting 40,800 votes.

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Populists are supposed to be "not in it" in New England, but they carried the town of Carver, Mass., in 1895, and 4000 votes were cast in Boston.

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In the Sixth congressional district of Kansas the republicans and democrats will fuse to beat the populists. This district is a populist stronghold; they having a plurality over both the other parties.

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The best posted man (Chairman Carter of the national executive committee) in the republican party concedes the populist party increased the number of its votes 274 per cent in two years and frankly admits the party may cast 5,000,000 votes in 1896—"dying out."

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Democratic Logic: "Gibbs joins the populist party for office. The populist party is dying out. Therefore, Gibbs joins a party that will never get in power just for office."—The holy St Patrick! surely the lapse of centuries is not the only thing separating democrats from Aristotle.

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In the last Sunday's issue of the Dallas News is a letter of Hon W. C. Blank of Wills Point who announces that he will no longer affiliate with either wing of the democratic party but will join the populist party.

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W. D. Simpson a democrat of Rosser, Kaufman county, Texas, writes a letter to the Kaufman Leader announcing his allegiance to the democratic party and joining the populists.

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Mayor W. E. Fountain of Tarboro N. C. a life-long democrat, has caused a great political sensation by his desertion of the old party. He scores the professed friends of silver in the democratic ranks and declares both of the old parties are on the side of mammon. The peoples party is born of necessity. Its mission is to work out the reforms demanded by the multitude. It behooves all patriots to join it and aid it in promoting the good of humanity. It has been ridiculed misrepresented and spit upon by politicians and gold worshipers. Did they do less for Christ?"

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Prof W. L. Gibson another free silver democrat leader is out in a letter, which was published last week in the Ellis County Mirror, denouncing his party for corruption and treachery to the white metal and associating himself with the peoples party. Prof Gibson is one of the most valuable accessions the peoples party has had. He is a graduate of the University of Virginia. He served through the war, mostly under Stonewall Jackson, after which he took a thorough course in law. He served four years in the legislature of Mississippi. At present he is principal of a high grade school in Waxahachie. Speaking of him the Mirror says.:

Standing as he does to-day in the prime of life, with a mind well trained and well stored in many branches of learning a teacher by profession and by nature still learning while he teaches, he is certainly in a position to serve the cause that he has now espoused. He is welcome, thrice and four times welcome to our ranks.

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EX-GOVERNOR BUCHANAN.

The Noted Tennessee Democrat is Out Of The Old Party.

John P Buchanan, who was elected Governor of Tennessee in 1890, in a recent letter to the editor of the Paducah (Ky.) Herald, a Populist paper, says:

With a union of all financial reform forces, moving in one solid, compact body, fighting to accomplish financial reforms, voting for one man for president, and for national legislators whose hearts are indeed with the people and who would stand true to principle under any and all circumstances, we could win the battle of 1896, bring relief to the people and save the Republic. 'In union there is strength; divided we fall. Long live the fight to the finish.'

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In the issue of July 24 Judge Edmund Gray, in a little effort to sidetrack News reporter, was held up and compelled to confess his acquaintance to a carcass of pie in the birth quarter. Within the banks of democracy and despite the views of nominees, the judge feels that free coinage, tariff and the defunct income tax bill, under the name Gray, will again be confined into life and these dry bones stand up an exceeding great army. He seemed to forsake democracy with a dyed-in-the-wool determination to do or die, and refers contemptuously to recent desertions. (Their numbers precludes the remark as personal) as discredited office seekers who must find other fields for reward.

With a benighted comprehension even to the objects of a congress that put the last nail in the silver coffin, and the distant rumblings of a cyclone due in November, he declares the out-look for free coinage never better.

"The poor ye have with you always." This with an indisputable record of 1800 years is proof that its author knew what he was talking about. But now comes Judge Edward Gray of the silver sect, in the closing years of the nineteenth century, using similar language, saying, "The tariff monster which fosters plutocracy and poverty we have with us always." This is too much. Until the democratic party began to speak in parables we had hoped for free trade, at least some time in the twentieth century. But now 1800 years on parallel records must elapse before this millenium.

C. E. OBENCHAIN.

SAMPLE SWITCHEL.

Writes of Plano's Recent Happenings, Improvements, Citizens, ect.

For The Democrat.

Plano, Tex., Feb. 10, '95.

The row of brick buildings on the north side of Mechanic street are nearing completion.

The Moore House, our new brick hotel, was opened to the public last week with bright prospects for business.

Plano has several destitute families who are dependant upon public charity for support and yet some say times are not bad.

Plano lodge 144 I. O. O. F. will dedicate their new hall Feb. 17th. Several neighboring lodges have been invited and a grand time is expected.

Mr Porter, operator of the Cotton Belt, has been temporally removed to Grapevine.

Hunter Farrell went to McKinney last Tuesday and brought back one of the negro toughs arrested here about ten days since. He will serve a term with Mr. Farrell's road gang.

F. M. Collinsworth was in town last Thursday.

J. R. Hagins, of Beck Branch community, was shaking hands with friends on our streets Wednesday.

Dock Forman went to McKinney last Tuesday to attend the Beverly land sale.

Partman Bros. are erecting a fifty foot addition to their building, corner Main and Mechanic streets.

R. T. Spivey and daughter, Miss Leola, were in town Thursday.

Joe Gallege returned from the south, where he has been at the bedside of a sick brother, last week.

Sam Wood has just opened a a new barber shop on the south side of Mechanic street.

Y. H. B. Blalack returned from Houston, last Saturday, where he has been attending the annual meeting of the Grand lodge, I. O. O. F.

W. S. Coffey, of McKinney, candidate for the democratic nomination for sheriff, was here Saturday mending up his fences.

SAMPLE SWITCHEL.

From The World Almanac.

The new South Carolina state constitution, adopted Dec. 4, 1895, provides permanent registration of voters having the customary qualifications of age, residence, 2 years' poll tax paid, etc, "who can read any section in this constitution submitted to them by the registration officers, or understand and explain it when read to them by the registration officers."

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Woman suffrage: It was voted down in the South Carolina constitutional convention October 20, 1895, and defeated in Massachusetts November 5. It was adopted by Utah in its new constitution, ratified by the people Nov. 5.

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Governors, 1896: Iowa, Francis M. Drake; Kentucky, William Bradley; Maryland, Lloyd Lowndes; Mississippi, A. J. McLaurin; New Jersey, John W. Griggs; Ohio, Asa Bushnell.

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United States Postoffices: Number of postoffices June 30, 1895, 70,064; revenue fiscal year, $76,983,128; expenditures, $86,730,172; transportation, $46,356,326.

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Immigrants to the United States in 1895, 279,948.

Of An Uncertain Age.

A visitor at the Elderle mansion said to the young lady of the house:

"That's a beautiful little canary. How old is it?"

"Excuse me," she replied, with dignity. "It wouldn't be right for me to say. It is a female."—Sifter.

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Yeast: "I never knew a tramp to work in my life."

Crimsonbeak: "Well, I have. You ought to see them work on my wife's sympathies."—Yonkers Statesman.

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"No, Sir; a man with a face like that is never a candidate."

"How do you know?"

"It's so homely that he couldn't have any fear of spoiling it."—Chicago Record.

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Miss Beckon: "I wonder why Manager Rose never has trouble with his leading lady? He never used to have."

Miss Hubb: "Why, don't you know? The idiot married her at the end of last season."—Boston Courier.

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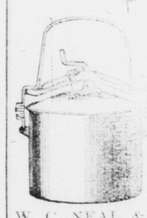

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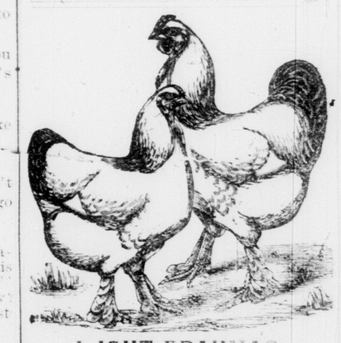

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